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DEEN DAYAL HATHKARGHA PROTSAHAN YOJANA
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to abolish Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating alternative scheme envisaged for the benefit of the weavers;

(c) the status of proposals already formulated and submitted by various States under the said Yojana pending for approval before the Union Government, State-wise; and

(d) the current implementation status of project package, health package, integrated handloom training programme, distribution of loans, yarns and accessories in Assam indicating number of proposals pending for sanction?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a)& (b): The Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana was discontinued w.e.f. 1.4.2007 and its components merged with the proposed new Integrated Handlooms Development Scheme (IHDS) to be implemented during the 11th plan period. IHDS aims to provide assistance for (a) handloom clusters having handlooms in the range of 300-500, (b) a group preferably having at least 10 weavers, (c) marketing of handloom products by the state Handloom Corporations/ Apex societies, Primary Handloom Weavers Cooperative Societies and National level handloom organizations (d) strengthening the State and National Level Organizations (e) Innovative Ideas, Publicity , monitoring, supervision, training and evaluation of scheme.

(c): No new proposals will be considered in Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana after 31.3.2007 because the scheme has been discontinued. However, the Integrated Handloom Development Scheme (IHDS) is presently under consideration of the Government of India. No proposal of any state, including the state of Assam is, hence, pending under the new scheme.

(d): The Project Package Scheme, Health Package Scheme and the Integrated Handloom Training Project have been discontinued w.e.f. , 01.04.2000, 09.08.2005 and 01.04.2007 respectively. The Ministry of Textiles is not implementing any scheme for distribution of loans or a scheme titled Integrated Handloom Training Programme. Proposals in respect of Accessories will be considered under the Integrated Handloom Development Scheme, which is presently under consideration. No proposal of the state of Assam is pending under the Mill Gate Price Scheme which provides yarn to the handloom weavers at the Mill Gate Price.